

REMARKS

The following Election without Traverse is made in response to the Office Action dated June 9, 2005 containing a restriction requirement pertaining to the above-identified patent application. The Examiner has set a shortened statutory period for response to this action to expire one month from the mailing date of the communication, so that this election is due July 9, 2005. Filed concurrently herewith is a request for a one-month extension of time so that the present Amendment is due by August 9, 2005.

In the Office Action, the Examiner maintains that restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 U.S.C. §121:

- I. Claims 1-42, drawn to a mechanical arm, classified in class 254, subclass 126.
- II. Claim 43, drawn to a method of maneuvering a mechanical arm, classified in class 254, subclass 1.

The Examiner required Applicants to elect a single disclosed invention for prosecution on the merits, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 121.

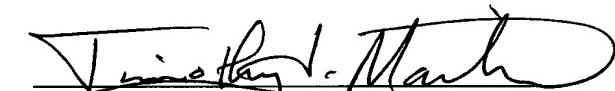
Applicant hereby elects to prosecute claims 1-42, drawn to a mechanical arm, classified in class 254, subclass 126. Accordingly, applicant withdraws claim 43, drawn to a method of maneuvering a mechanical arm, classified in class 254, subclass 1, subject to applicant's right to file a divisional application thereon.

No additional claims fees are believed to be payable upon the Amendment. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the required fees, or to credit any overpayment, to deposit account number 13-1940.

Based on the foregoing, Applicants submit that the present application is in condition for allowance, and action to that end is courteously solicited. If any issues remain to be resolved prior to the granting of this application, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned attorney for the Applicant at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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